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Whereas, ten years ago, a group of female firefighters from Portland Fire & Rescue created a concept to introduce young women to a career in the fire service: a camp that teaches hands-on skills instructed by local female firefighters; and



Whereas, Portland Fire & Rescue supported this plan and hosted the free, three-day camp at its training grounds; and



Whereas, the group recruited female firefighters from the area and dubbed the camp Portland Metro Fire Camp to reflect the broad support from our local agencies; and

Whereas, the first camp instructed 14 young women and grew to almost 40 young women each year, introducing hundreds of women to the fire service and empowering each to confidently find their own path, with multitudes going into fire careers across Oregon and the nation, including one hired by Portland Fire & Rescue; and



Whereas, now in its 10th year, Portland Metro Fire Camp is expanding to meet its growing demand by opening a second session hosted by Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue; and

Whereas, applications are now open for the 2018 camp and we encourage all interested young women to apply on our website; and

Now, therefore, I, Ted Wheeler, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim April 2018 to be

Portland Metro Fire Camp Month

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this month.



Proclaim April 2018 to be Portland Metro Fire Camp Month (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Saltzman)

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